## ST. LOUIS REGION TOP OPENINGS

2023-2025

The St. Louis Region is projected to have over 130,000 total openings each year between 2023 and 2025. Total openings include growth openings, exit openings, and transfer openings. Growth openings are the result of an occupation growing between the base year and the projected year. Exit openings occur when a worker leaves the workforce entirely, such as retirement. Transfer openings occur when a worker leaves their occupation for a different one.

Of the top 20 occupations with the most total openings in the St. Louis Region, five are in the *Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations* group. *Office and Administrative Support Occupations* and *Transportation and Material Moving Occupations* are occupations groups that are also projected to have high numbers of total openings. Average wage for all occupations in 2022 was \$63,929 in the St. Louis Region.

TOP JOB OPENINGS							
Occupation	2023 Estimated Employment	2025 Projected Employment	Exit Openings	Transfer Openings	Growth Openings	Total Annual Openings	Average Annual Wage
Home Health and Personal Care Aides	36,755	37,346	2,964	2,472	296	5,732	\$29,491
Cashiers	21,196	20,730	2,016	2,032	(233)	3,815	\$30,739
Stockers and Order Fillers	21,057	21,523	1,324	2,084	233	3,641	\$40,455
Fast Food and Counter Workers	15,230	15,400	1,691	1,805	85	3,581	\$29,843
Waiters and Waitresses	17,091	17,123	1,472	2,067	16	3,555	\$37,025
Retail Salespersons	22,474	22,761	1,484	1,790	144	3,418	\$37,706
Customer Service Representatives	20,113	20,061	1,122	1,575	(26)	2,671	\$44,528
General and Operations Managers	29,281	29,753	735	1,586	236	2,557	\$122,667
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	17,364	17,449	1,212	1,210	42	2,464	\$35,603
Office Clerks, General	19,115	19,131	1,156	1,124	8	2,288	\$46,918
Cooks, Restaurant	12,466	13,051	870	1,040	292	2,202	\$34,681
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	16,108	16,057	768	1,307	(26)	2,049	\$43,418
Secretaries and Admin. Asst., Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	19,462	19,151	1,124	1,016	(156)	1,984	\$43,589
Registered Nurses	32,563	32,996	1,088	674	216	1,978	\$80,253
Nursing Assistants	11,418	11,542	726	898	62	1,686	\$36,673
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	12,579	12,815	575	744	118	1,437	\$59,193
Cooks, Fast Food	9,319	9,151	630	753	(84)	1,299	\$30,691
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	8,289	8,432	421	800	72	1,293	\$42,518
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	10,730	10,644	693	544	(43)	1,194	\$52,260
Security Guards	9,111	9,050	525	675	(30)	1,170	\$39,783



Occupations with fewer than 50 annual openings are omitted.

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